

# St Andrews Bay Ladies Improvement Club

Miss Lillian Carlisle,  
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My - dearest One:—

At last the closing hours of the day have come, I lay aside work and am alone, thinking of you and reading and rereading my "love letter." Dearest you could teach any true woman to almost worship you, just as I do; no one could resist such a true unselfish love as you give. My most earnest prayer, now, since I am so fortunate, is to be all that you could or may desire. Take me and make me

what thou wilt, for I am yet young enough  
to bend and change (except my creed or faith) especially  
for one I love devotedly. No, I can't believe  
that 'you love me the best - now. Darling  
we will be so happy living a life, based  
on respect, confidence and truest affection  
Oh, it all looks so bright! However, if you  
were a hundred, I would not give you up  
now.

Dearest, will just take the  
best of care of you, and then we will have  
many, many years of happiness. Won't we?

Your letter is in my lap and when my  
eyes fall on any portion I see and feel  
that same true love ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> revealed, that I have

always wanted and lived in hopes of 'all  
my days'. But do you know, that I  
do not know your name? Sister asked  
me this morning, "what her brother in law's first  
name was," said it began with "L," second or middle  
with "M." This I knew but the other I  
had not the least idea. What is it, dear? -  
If you do not tell me, I'll call you the  
same that Grace does, - that begins with  
"L" - ha, ha,

It is so funny about the starting  
before I saw you, I told Ellis to send in  
his "bill" and I'd "straighten up" after I looked  
more closely after the "lots" being corrected.

but I have not heard  
one word from him.

I do not understand all this  
and would drive down for  
an explanation, but have  
not the time this week.

As I'm not out anything  
but the core of me, guess  
I'll not "fret" any more.

What time do you  
suppose it was when I  
drove in Bens gate, Monday  
evening? - just seven  
o'clock - had quite a  
delightful moon light  
ride, all by my "consort."

The reason I was so  
late, Mrs Allen had

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just been out working  
for our association and  
several of them wanted to  
know more about it, -  
we've promised to join us  
next meeting. and you know  
two from Panama promised.

I shall go down to  
Parker Saturday, and if  
your business keeps you  
away, may get other names.  
If we have an increase  
of twenty five members  
from East Bay, next meeting,  
guess Mr. Quoy will hush.

I am so sorry, I could-

not write you a letter soon enough  
for you to get it this morning, as you  
expected, but our mail comes and goes so  
early, that unless I write the day or night  
before, my mail can't get in.

Grace was very sick to me,  
perhaps I noticed other little things you  
did not, of which I'll tell you later.

Why not come and spend the  
day with me Sunday, if you are busy  
Saturday. But if Fanny knew where  
you were going our secrets would be  
guessed.

Do not let Grace disappoint me  
Friday, for mama, though worse this a.m.  
is better, and I believe company would  
help her, as of course I'll play the part  
of good "Bridget".

I have always admired a business  
man, but always thought before that  
they never really loved or had time to love  
any one, and now since I have the  
two in one, you can't imagine my  
happiness.

Dearest - you have made my

life so bright, and  
when I was least ex-  
pecting it. Can I ever  
repay or pay you-?-

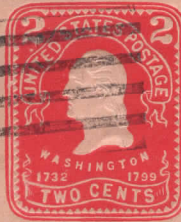
Would you believe it,  
I've been in here reading  
thinking, wishing, and  
waiting until every thing  
on the place is asleep and  
it is after eleven - there-  
fore, I must say, ~~good night~~  
with a heart and soul full  
of love I am, yours own,

Lillian

P.S.  
dearest, here is my first evening kiss.

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